

PHARMACY BOARD[657]

Notice of Intended Action

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)“b.”

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 147.76, the Board of Pharmacy hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 6, “General Pharmacy Practice,” Iowa Administrative Code.

The amendment was approved at the September 22, 2009, regular meeting of the Board of Pharmacy.

The proposed amendment requires a general pharmacy located in Iowa to post a notice to patients that the pharmacist is required to counsel a patient on any new prescription dispensed to the patient. The proposed amendment provides that the Board will supply the pharmacy with the required signage.

Requests for waiver or variance of the discretionary provisions of Board rules will be considered pursuant to 657—Chapter 34.

Any interested person may present written comments, data, views, and arguments on the proposed amendment not later than 4:30 p.m. on November 24, 2009. Such written materials may be sent to Terry Witkowski, Executive Officer, Board of Pharmacy, 400 S.W. Eighth Street, Suite E, Des Moines, Iowa 50309-4688; or by E-mail to terry.witkowski@iowa.gov.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code section 155A.13.

The following amendment is proposed.

Amend rule 657—6.14(155A), introductory paragraph, as follows:

657—6.14(155A) Patient counseling and instruction. Every general pharmacy located in Iowa shall post in the prescription pickup area in a manner clearly visible to patients a notice that Iowa law requires the pharmacist to discuss with the patient any new prescriptions dispensed to the patient. The board shall provide a general pharmacy with the required signage.